

A RESOLUTION to honor former State Representative Granville Hinton for meritorious service.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this assembly should pause in their deliberations to honor a former colleague, whose talent and energy in service of the House of Representatives allowed him to reach the pinnacle of effective public service.

WHEREAS, beginning in 1967 as a member of the 85th General Assembly and continuing until 1973, Representative Granville Hinton served his constituents in the 71st House Electoral District with the utmost in compassion, dedication, acumen and integrity; and

WHEREAS, admired by Republican and Democrats alike, Granville Hinton represented the good people of Hardin and McNairy Counties with professionalism and probity, always working diligently at his elected duties, weighing the opposing sides of complex issues, and then voting his conscience; and

WHEREAS, his ongoing commitment to good government enabled Mr. Hinton to be a valuable participant in the legislative process, as evidenced by his alacritous service as former Assistant House Minority Leader and House Whip; he was also appointed by former Governor Winfield Dunn as Commissioner of Conservation, serving from 1973-1975; and

WHEREAS, in the late 1970's, former Governor Lamar Alexander called upon Mr. Hinton to lend his talent and expertise as a legislative liaison and a consultant; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hinton has played an influential role in the economic development of Savannah, as a State Farm Insurance agent, as a founder member of the board of directors of the Hardin County Bank. He has also served as a member of the Hardin County Industrial Committee and the Chickasaw Area Development Corporation; and

WHEREAS, he served adroitly as Savannah's vice mayor for two years, mayor for six years, and as a city commissioner for 16 years; and

WHEREAS, a valued friend of former Governor Ned McWherter and Senate Speaker John Wilder, Mr. Hinton is respected by everyone on Capitol Hill; he is responsible for teaching Rita Adams everything she knows as a legislative assistant; and

WHEREAS, his many honors and accolades aside, Mr. Hinton is most appreciative of the love and support he shares with his wife, Darla, and his two children, Mrs. Jeanne Lynn Hinton McCarter and Robert Hinton; and

WHEREAS, it is important that this body recognizes those public servants whose unflagging commitment to the public welfare of this state and its citizens is unequalled; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we honor former representative Granville Hinton for his meritorious service to Tennessee and extend to him and his family our best wishes, as he continues to be in our thoughts.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation to Mr. Hinton, with this final clause omitted from such copy.